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2010-11 AmeriCorps*State Program Portfolio

Boomers Leading Change in Health

Award Recipient: Colorado Nonprofit Development Center
Award Type: Formula - Planning
Contact: Barbara Raynor – (303) 847-1234, babsraynor@comcast.net
Award Amount: \$50,000
AmeriCorps Members: n/a

The purpose of this planning grant is to develop an AmeriCorps program to support Boomers Leading Change in Health, a health navigator program designed to increase volunteerism in adults over age 55. The program seeks to improve the quality of health care in the seven-county metro Denver area.

Boys and Girls Club Outreach and Enrichment Initiative

Award Recipient: Boys and Girls Clubs of Larimer County
Award Type: Formula
Contact: Julie Mordecai - (719) 580-0379, mordecai@GoJade.org
Award Amount: \$312,000
AmeriCorps Members: 25

The program works to lower risk factors for youth by providing the stability of a safe place to go during after school hours as well as provide the academic, emotional and social support youth need to reach their full potential. AmeriCorps members will serve as youth development professionals to run teen programming, after school homework help, and provide programming in the arts, physical and social education. Some members shall assist in recruiting and coordinating local volunteers. The members will work at sites in the following cities: Denver, Ignacio, Alamosa, La Jara, Pueblo, Fort Collins, Loveland, Salida, Buena Vista, Craig, Steamboat Springs, Fairplay and Bailey.

City/DPS Collaborative – Urban Education Service Corps

Award Recipient: Denver Public Schools
Award Type: Formula
Contact: Roxanne N. Nice – (720) 839-2473, Roxanne_Nice@dpsk12.org
Award Amount: \$496,314
AmeriCorps Members: 98

The program will increase enrollment and attendance, reduce the drop out rate, and reengage student dropouts in eight under performing schools by increasing parent and family engagement in the school community. AmeriCorps members will launch an outreach and school enrollment campaign at strategic locations in targeted neighborhoods.

Colorado Asset Building Coalition's Colorado East Rural Tax Initiative (CABC's CERTI) Project

Award Recipient: Advocates for Young Adults
Award Type: Formula
Contact: Shawn Young – (720) 363-5131, shawn@a4ya.org
Award Amount: \$142,112
AmeriCorps Members: 21

Through the CABC CERTI program, AmeriCorps Members shall provide tax preparation services, financial education, and asset building counseling in rural Colorado. Working in team-based units, the AmeriCorps Members shall work with low to moderate income individuals and families to increase the amount of Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)

claimed and received, which shall increase investment in the local community and decrease the local levels of poverty.

Colorado HIPPYCorps

Award Recipient: Colorado Parent and Child Foundation
Award Type: Competitive
Contact: David Tisdale - (303) 860-6000, david@cpcfonline.org
Award Amount: \$279,500
AmeriCorps Members: 39

HIPPYCorps (Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters) is a home-based, peer-delivered, early intervention program designed to empower parents to become their child's primary educator. AmeriCorps members provide weekly home visits as well as role modeling and mentoring to parents. Members are recruited from the population of parents served by the program. The program serves seven Colorado counties (Adams, Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Denver, Jefferson, Rio Grande, and Saguache) where over 95% of families fall below poverty guidelines.

Colorado Youth Corps Education Awards Program

Award Recipient: Colorado Youth Corps Association
Award Type: Education Award Only
Contact: Jennifer Freeman - (303) 863-0600, jfreeman@cyca.org
Award Amount: \$41,568
AmeriCorps Members: 187

This program develops and maintains the capacity of a statewide network of youth conservation corps programs. Members complete service projects to maintain and enhance public lands. Nine youth corps sites in rural and urban areas of the state enroll members to complete conservation service projects such as trail construction and habitat restoration on public lands in their local communities. Additionally, programs offer young people a number of education opportunities including environmental education, citizenship instruction, and basic education such as GED preparation.

Community Building Partnerships for Youth in Transition

Award Recipient: City and County of Denver, Department of Human Services
Award Type: Formula
Contact: Jamie Gulick - (720) 940-2800, Jamie.Gulick@denvergov.org
Award Amount: \$259,999
AmeriCorps Members: 20

The purpose of the program is to engage youth emancipating out of foster care and to support them on their journey to adulthood. Each year, approximately 400 young people in Colorado age out of foster care and approximately 300 emancipate. The program helps these young people transition to self-sufficiency by providing a strong safety net of support and resources to help them reach their full potential and maintain stability.

Energize La Plata

Award Recipient: Southern Ute Community Action Programs, Inc.
Award Type: Formula
Contact: Peter Tregillus - (970) 563-4517 ext. 208, ptregillus@sucap.org
Award Amount: \$156,000
AmeriCorps Members: 12

Energize La Plata is a federation of entities seeking to address a number of youth, family, and community development needs in the Southern Ute Indian Reservation region in southwestern Colorado. Areas of focus include having AmeriCorps members involved in implementing an information survey at the Southern Ute Head Start

Program; improve protective factors for teens engaged in using alcohol and drugs; engage youth in civic activities; and implement programs that address youth obesity.

Job Training Education and Conservation Program

Award Recipient: Year One Inc., dba Mile High Youth Corps
Award Type: Competitive
Contact: Kara Silbernagel - (303) 433-1206, opt. 1, ext. 326; karas@mhyc.net
Award Amount: \$736,280
AmeriCorps Members: 158

The program addresses the environmental and community improvement needs of urban and rural communities. Members, recruited from the community, participate in a service-learning program that encompasses environmental education, civic engagement, healthy lifestyles, independent living skills, career development and leadership. Service projects concentrate on environmental restoration, protection and conservation, energy conservation, affordable housing, and community improvement projects. Program sites are located in Denver, Steamboat Springs, Fort Collins, Durango, Grand Junction, Colorado Springs, and Fort Morgan.

Mesa State College AmeriCorps Program

Award Recipient: Mesa State College
Award Type: Formula
Contact: Pat Verstraete - (970) 248-1874, pverstra@mesastate.edu
Award Amount: \$325,000
AmeriCorps Members: 38

The program provides inter-agency collaborative efforts that strengthen resources for the youth in Mesa County. The project addresses the following areas: family management problems, lack of commitment to school, alienation and rebelliousness and problem behavior.

Metro Volunteers Capacity Building Through Training

Award Recipient: Metro Volunteers
Award Type: Formula - Planning
Contact: Kristy Judd - (303) 282-1234, kristyjudd@metrovolunteers.org
Award Amount: \$49,999
AmeriCorps Members: n/a

This planning grant will be utilized to develop an AmeriCorps program that would support the professional growth and leadership development of community agency staff, as well as volunteer center organization staff, develop strategies to utilized a centralized information technology system, and expand innovative and special projects that enhance volunteer program offerings.

Metro Volunteers Strengthening the Colorado Volunteer Center Network (on behalf of CVCN)

Award Recipient: Metro Volunteers
Award Type: Formula - Planning
Contact: Kristy Judd - (303) 282-1234, kristyjudd@metrovolunteers.org
Award Amount: \$49,999
AmeriCorps Members: n/a

This planning grant will focus on the establishment of a financially sustainable membership structure for the Colorado Volunteer Center Network (CVCN), a statewide technical assistance and professional development program to volunteer centers, a repository for shared materials, a statewide messaging campaign, and a plan to utilize AmeriCorps members in the execution of the work.

PCC AmeriCorps Program

Award Recipient: Pueblo Community College

Award Type: Formula
Contact: Michelle Von Fange - (719) 640-5442, michelle.vonfange@pueblocc.edu
Award Amount: \$189,706
AmeriCorps Members: 26

AmeriCorps members shall serve the City and County of Pueblo by working with several local non-profit and community organizations. At their host sites, members will serve by strengthening volunteer management and recruitment, conducting outreach, securing resources in support of service activities, building infrastructure, developing collaborative relationships with other organizations, and providing direct services to members of the community.

Poverty Alleviation in Larimer County

Award Recipient: United Way of Larimer County
Award Type: Formula - Planning
Contact: Adam Molzer - (970) 407-7000, amolzer@uwaylc.org
Award Amount: \$18,596
AmeriCorps Members: n/a

This planning grant will focus on the development of an AmeriCorps program that would support the northern Colorado nonprofit community and expand capacity for local nonprofits that address poverty and barriers to self-sufficiency. The program will also generate new community volunteers at the partnering agencies.

Regional Substance Abuse Prevention Program (RSAPP) AmeriCorps Program

Award Recipient: Community Foundation Serving Southwest Colorado
Award Type: Formula
Contact: Cathy Cowles - (970) 799-6007, cathy@rsapp.org
Award Amount: \$140,000
AmeriCorps Members: 11

The program addresses substance abuse problems in southwestern Colorado. The goal of the program is to foster solutions from community members, enlist these members to be role models of service and civic responsibility, increase the quality of living within the communities and increase knowledge of the issues facing the communities and region. AmeriCorps members will serve in a variety of roles in the following counties: Montezuma, Delores, La Plata, San Juan and Archuleta.

Saguache United Methodist Church AmeriCorps Program

Award Recipient: United Methodist Church of Center
Award Type: Education Award Only
Contact: Yvonne Morfitt - (719) 256-4662, giveitarivet@yahoo.com
Award Amount: \$2,496
AmeriCorps Members: 12

The program focuses on education, recreation, and basic needs of young people in rural communities. The AmeriCorps members implement a tutoring program at a school on academic watch. Service activities are also planned to address the needs of the community.

The School Based Mentoring Program

Award Recipient: Partners in Routt County, Inc.
Award Type: Formula
Contact: Libby Foster - (970) 879-6141, libby@partnersrouttcounty.org
Award Amount: \$91,775
AmeriCorps Members: 7

The mentoring program addresses the needs of rural youth in areas of school bonding, negative attitudes towards healthy lifestyles, academics, alcohol, drugs, delinquency and lack of volunteerism. In addition to mentoring

relationships formed between students and AmeriCorps members in the school setting, members are also becoming involved in the community as senior partners for a year-long, at-risk youth mentoring partnership.

Weld County Youth Conservation Corps

Award Recipient: Board of Weld County Commissioners

Award Type: Formula

Contact: Tami Grant - (970) 353-3800 x6754, tgrant@co.weld.co.us

Award Amount: \$188,852

AmeriCorps Members: 30

The youth conservation program recruits at-risk-youth as AmeriCorps members and provides them the means to acquire job, leadership and civic skills through projects that have a lasting and visible benefit to their community. Corps member development activities include GED preparation, citizenship training, conflict resolution, first aid/CPR, HIV and STD awareness, diversity training, journaling and team building activities.

Award Type	Number of Programs	Award Amount	Number of Slots (AmeriCorps Members)	Number of MSY's (Member Service Years)
Competitive	2	\$1,015,780	197	78.42
Formula	14	\$2,470,353	288	195.47
Education Award Only	2	\$44,064	199	55.08
Total	18	\$3,530,197	684	328.97